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of 17 June 2008**

**Case Number:** T 1182/07 - 3.2.03

**Application Number:** 99119283.2

**Publication Number:** 0992635

**IPC:** E03F 7/10

**Language of the proceedings:** EN

**Title of invention:**

Equipment for suction and high pressure cleaning optimised by a logic unit

**Patentee:**

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**Opponent:**

Müller Umwelttechnik GmbH Co. KG

**Headword:**

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**Relevant legal provisions:**

EPC Art. 108  
EPC R. 101(1)

**Relevant legal provisions (EPC 1973):**

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**Keyword:**

"Missing Statement of Grounds"

**Decisions cited:**

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**Catchword:**

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**D E C I S I O N**  
of the Technical Board of Appeal 3.2.03  
of 17 June 2008

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**Decision under appeal:**

Interlocutory decision of the Opposition  
Division of the European Patent Office posted  
14 May 2007 concerning maintenance of European  
patent No. 0992635 in amended form.

**Composition of the Board:**

**Chairman:**

U. Krause

**Members:**

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## **Summary of Facts and Submissions**

I. The appeal contests the interlocutory decision of the Opposition Division of European Patent Office dated 14 May 2007, concerning maintenance of European patent No. 0 992 635 in amended form.

The appellant (patent proprietor) filed a notice of appeal on 23 July 2007 and paid the fee for appeal on the same day.

No Statement of Grounds was filed. The notice of appeal contains nothing that could be regarded as a statement of grounds pursuant to Article 108 EPC.

II. By a communication dated 18 December 2007, sent by registered letter with advice of delivery, the Registry of the Board informed the appellant that no statement of grounds has been filed and that the appeal could be expected to be rejected as inadmissible. The appellant was invited to file observations within two months.

III. The appellant filed no observations in response to said communication.

## **Reasons for the Decision**

As no written statement setting out the ground of appeal has been filed, the appeal has to be rejected as inadmissible (Article 108 EPC in conjunction with Rule 65(1)EPC 1973, Rule 101(1) EPC 2000).

**Order**

**For these reasons, it is decided that:**

The appeal is rejected as inadmissible.

The Registrar:

The Chairman:

A. Counillon

U. Krause